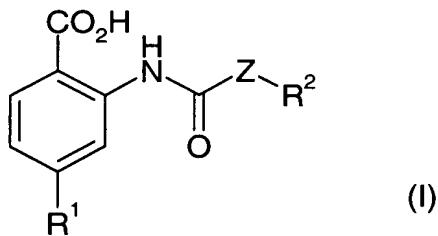


Amendments to the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

1. (Currently amended): A[[n]] compound selected from: a compound of Formula (I):



and or a salt, solvate or physiologically functional derivative thereof, wherein:

R¹ represents is hydrogen, halogen or C₁-C₃alkyl;

R² represents is a 5 or 6-member aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclic or alicyclic ring;

Z represents is -(CH₂)_q- [[;]] , -CH=CH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)NH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)O- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pSO₂NR³- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNR³SO₂- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_nO- [[;]] , -C(R⁴R⁵)O- or -Y-W-X- ;

W represents is a 5 or 6-member aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclic or alicyclic ring;

X and Y[[,]] which may are independently be present or absent, where present independently represent is -(CH₂)_q- [[;]] , -CH=CH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)O- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)NH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pSO₂NR³- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNR³SO₂- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pC(O)- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pO- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pS- or -(CH₂)_pO-CH₂- ;

n represents an integer selected from is 2, 3 and or 4;

p represents an integer selected from is 0, 1 and or 2;

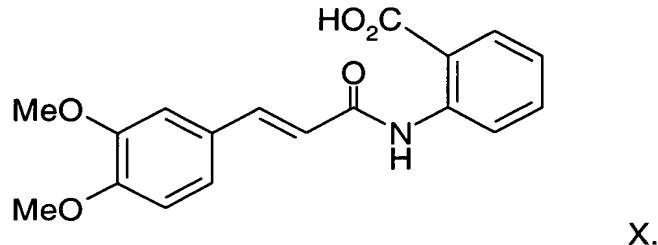
q represents an integer selected from is 1, 2, 3 and or 4;

R³ represents is hydrogen or methyl; and

R⁴ and R⁵, which may be the same or different, are independently represent C₁-C₃alkyl; provided

(i) that when R¹ is hydrogen, Z is -(CH₂)_n-, and n is 2, then R² is other than para-chlorophenyl or para-methylphenyl; and

(ii) that a compound of Formula (I) is other than 2-(2-((4-(phenyl)phenyl)amino)acetyl)amino)benzoic acid, 2-(2-((4-phenyl)phenoxy)acetyl)amino) benzoic acid, 2-[(4-cyclohexylphenoxy)acetyl]amino]benzoic acid, 2-[[3-[3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazol-5-yl]-1-oxopropyl]amino]benzoic acid or compound X

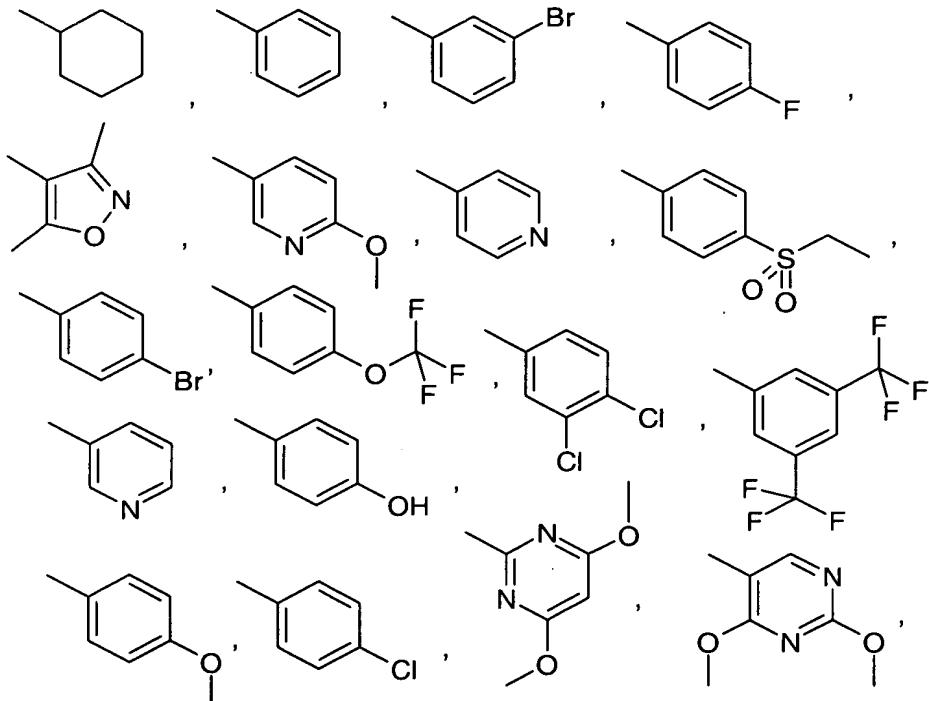


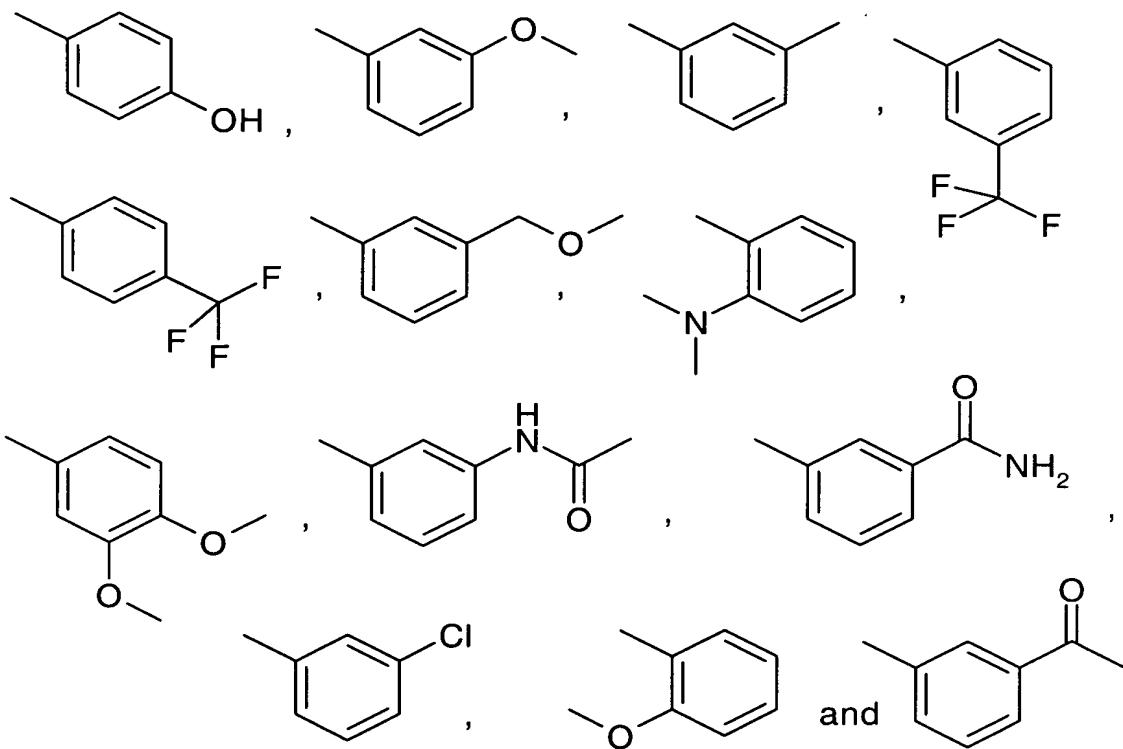
2. (Original): A compound according to claim 1 wherein R¹ is hydrogen or methyl.

3. (Original): A compound according to claim 2 wherein R¹ is hydrogen.

4. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 any preceding claim wherein R² is cyclohexyl, phenyl, pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyridazinyl and or isoxazolyl.

5. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 any one of claims 1-3 wherein R² is selected from the group consisting of:





6. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 4-3~~ wherein R² is substituted phenyl.

7. (Currently Amended): A compound according to claim 6 wherein R² is phenyl substituted with one or two substituents ~~selected from which are~~ halogen C₁₋₃alkyl, C₁₋₃haloalkyl C₁₋₃alkoxy and ~~or~~ C₁₋₃haloalkoxy.

8. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any preceding claim~~ wherein Y is -O-, -CH₂- or -CH₂O-.

9. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any preceding claim~~ wherein X is absent or is -SO₂NR³-, -NHC(O)- or -NHC(O)NH-.

10. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any preceding claim~~ wherein Y is -CH₂- and X is -SO₂NR³-.

11. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-7~~ wherein Y is -O- and X is absent.

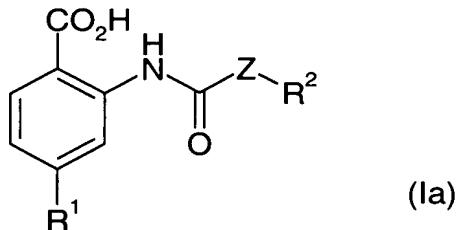
12. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any preceding claim~~ wherein W is a 5 or 6 member aryl or heteroaryl ring.

13. (Original): A compound according to claim 12 wherein W is phenyl.

14. (Original): A compound according to claim 12 wherein W is a 5 member heteroaryl ring.

Claims 15-20 (Cancelled).

21. (Currently Amended): A method for the treatment of a human or animal subject having ~~disease~~ a condition characterised by under-activation of the HM74A receptor or in which activation of the receptor will be beneficial, which method comprises administering to said human or animal subject an effective amount of a compound ~~selected from: a compound~~ of Formula (Ia) :



~~And~~ or a salt, solvate or physiologically functional derivative thereof, wherein:

R¹ ~~represents~~ is hydrogen, halogen or C₁-C₃alkyl;

R² ~~represents~~ is a 5 or 6-member aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic or alicyclic ring;

Z ~~represents~~ is -(CH₂)_n- [[;]] , -CH=CH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)NH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)O- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pSO₂NR³- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNR³SO₂- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_qO- [[;]] , -C(R⁴R⁵)O- or -Y-W-X- ;

W ~~represents~~ is a 5 or 6-member aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclic or alicyclic ring;

X and Y[[,]] ~~which may are~~ independently be present or absent, where present independently ~~represent~~ is -(CH₂)_q- [[;]] , -CH=CH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)O- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)NH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pSO₂NR³- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNR³SO₂- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pC(O)- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pNH- [[;]] , -(CH₂)_pO- or -(CH₂)_pO-CH₂- ;

n ~~represents an integer selected from~~ is 2, 3 ~~and~~ or 4;

p ~~represents an integer selected from~~ is 0, 1 or 2;

q ~~represents an integer selected from~~ is 1, 2, 3 ~~and~~ or 4;

R³ ~~represents~~ is hydrogen or methyl; and

~~R⁴ and R⁵ [[,] which may be the same or different, are independently represent C₁-C₃alkyl.~~

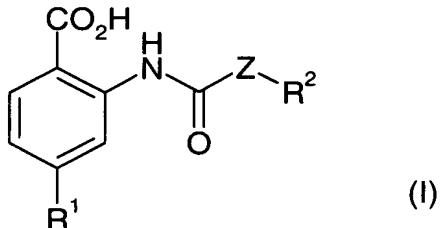
22. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 21 wherein the condition is a disorder of lipid metabolism ~~including dislipidaemia or hyperlipoproteinæmia~~ or an inflammatory disease or condition.

23. (Currently amended): A pharmaceutical formulation comprising a compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-14~~ in admixture with one or more physiologically acceptable diluents, excipients or carriers.

24. (Currently amended): A combination for administration together or separately, sequentially or simultaneously in separate or combined pharmaceutical formulations, said combination comprising a compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-14~~ together with another therapeutically active agent.

25. (Currently amended): A pharmaceutical formulation comprising a compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-14~~, plus a further active ingredient selected from the group consisting of statins, fibrates, bile-acid binding resins and nicotinic acid and one or more physiologically acceptable diluents, excipients or carriers.

26. (Currently Amended): A ~~method~~ process for the preparation of a compound of Formula (I):



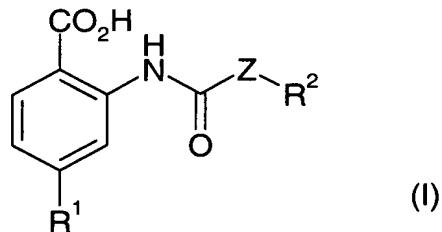
in which R¹ represents is hydrogen, Z represents is -Y-W-X-, Y represents is -(CH₂)_pO-, p represents the integer is 1, and W, X and R² are as defined in claim 1, the method ~~process~~ comprising the steps of:

- (i) amide bond formation by acetylation of an ester of anthranilic acid;
- (ii) addition of W or W-X-R² by substitution of a leaving group;
- (iii) deprotection of the anthranilic acid group;

and where desired or necessary converting a resultant free acid or base base or salt compound of Formula (I) into a physiologically acceptable salt form or free base vice versa or converting one salt form into another physiologically acceptable salt form.

27. (Currently Amended): A method process according to claim 26 where in step (ii) comprises addition of W and a further step (ii)(a), addition of R², is included in the form of a further substitution reaction.

28. (Currently Amended): A method process for the preparation of a compound of Formula (I):



in which R¹, R² and Z are as defined in claim 1, the method process comprising the steps of:

- (i) formation of an amide between the amine group of 2-amino-bezoic acid and an activated acyl transfer reagent derived from a carboxylic acid; and
- (ii) where desired or necessary converting a resultant free base or acid acid or base compound of Formula (I) into a physiologically acceptable salt form or free base vice versa or converting one salt form into another physiologically acceptable salt form.

29. (New): A method according to claim 22 wherein the disorder of lipid metabolism is dislipidaemia or hyperlipoproteinaemia.